



September 16, 1960

Chick Production

Commercial hatcheries produced 172,155,000 chicks in August, up 5 percent from August 1959. Output of broiler-type chicks totaled 156,009,000, compared with 149,932,000 in August last year--an increase of 4 percent. Eggs in incubators on September 1, 1960 indicate that hatch of broiler-type chicks will continue to be larger than a year earlier. Output of broiler-type chicks January through August totaled 1,379,505,000, compared with 1,329,142,000 during these months in 1959--an increase of 4 percent.

Production of egg-type chicks during August totaled 16,146,000, up 20 percent from the relatively light hatch of 13,404,000 in August 1959. A larger September hatch of egg-type chicks than a year ago is in prospect as the number of egg-type eggs in incubators on September 1 was 14 percent larger than on September 1, 1959. Production of egg-type chicks during the first 8 months of 1960 totaled 415,941,000, compared with 485,081,000 during this period in 1959--a decrease of 14 percent.

Poult Production

Heavy white breed poult production during August of 1,288,000 poults was 28 percent larger than in August 1959. The hatch of other heavy breeds (mostly bronze) of 398,000 was over four times as large as the seasonally light hatch of 86,000 in August 1959. For the year to date, January through August, the hatch of heavy white breeds of 19,216,000 was up 14 percent from the same period in 1959. The hatch of 53,767,000 other breed poults, January through August 1960, was up 5 percent from this period in 1959. Output of light breed poults in August totaled 1,124,000--up 5 percent from August 1959. The cumulative hatch of light breed poults, January through August 1960, was down 35 percent from a year earlier.

Total hatch of poults of all breeds during the first 8 months of 1960 was approximately the same as hatched during the first 8 months of 1959.

Turkey eggs in incubators September 1 indicate that the hatch of turkey poults in September will be larger than in September 1959. For the first time during 1960, the number of light breed eggs in incubators was above that of a year earlier.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries

State and division	Broiler-type						Egg-type	
	August			January through August			August	
	1959		1960 1/	1959		1960 1/	1959	1960 1/
	Thou.	Thou.		Thou.	Thou.		Thou.	Thou.
Maine	4,873	5,156		40,742	40,784		87	26
N.H.	826	950		9,989	8,372		145	82
Vt.	2	0		68	0		2	6
Mass.	1,049	880		9,741	7,303		187	220
R.I.	202	248		2,019	2,037		19	7
Conn.	2,916	2,348		27,377	21,894		301	316
N. E.	9,868	9,582		89,936	80,390		741	657
N.Y.	764	690		5,883	6,020		545	600
N.J.	650	480		7,920	5,490		200	430
Pa.	4,133	4,246		36,583	36,406		765	806
M. A.	5,547	5,416		50,386	47,916		1,510	1,836
Ohio	1,280	1,150		11,600	10,700		470	750
Ind.	5,459	4,939		45,813	45,573		697	1,183
Ill.	657	619		7,958	5,821		384	481
Mich.	500	480		4,210	3,450		130	200
Wis.	1,453	1,690		12,623	12,885		37	146
E. N. C.	9,349	8,878		82,204	78,429		1,718	2,760
Minn.	268	430		2,743	3,546		120	90
Iowa	370	400		3,210	3,330		55	250
Mo.	5,521	5,416		47,338	46,102		423	517
N.Dak.	2/	2/		2/	2/		0	0
S.Dak.	2/	2/		2/	2/		18	0
Nebr.	123	227		1,111	1,444		48	20
Kans.	195	235		2,751	2,535		87	100
W. N. C.	2/ 6,477	2/ 6,708		2/ 57,240	2/ 57,028		751	977
Del.	4,642	4,996		48,322	47,267		3/	3/
Md.	9,086	10,630		68,633	89,884		44	17
Va.	5,885	5,913		57,644	56,548		142	277
W.Va.	901	677		7,998	6,764		3/	3/
N.C.	10,903	12,735		98,390	106,140		272	260
S.C.	1,462	1,672		13,459	13,857		85	118
Ga.	27,537	28,152		237,774	251,661		587	658
Fla.	1,345	1,594		12,402	12,863		661	863
S. A.	61,761	66,369		544,622	584,984		3/1,798	3/2,204
Ky.	1,100	1,400		11,305	10,220		8	33
Tenn.	3,185	3,700		29,465	29,230		170	320
Ala.	12,646	13,925		108,002	125,034		115	328
Miss.	9,269	9,255		77,127	84,516		177	210
E. S. C.	26,200	28,280		225,899	249,000		470	891
Ark.	11,955	12,770		108,201	113,494		112	244
La.	2,081	1,632		17,817	14,264		84	84
Okla.	502	455		6,527	5,555		70	135
Texas	9,399	8,554		81,136	81,517		875	927
W. S. C.	23,937	23,411		213,681	214,830		1,141	1,390
Mont.	0	8		187	138		5	8
Idaho	228	288		2,653	2,795		41	57
Colo.	48	36		620	550		60	98
Utah	115	108		1,540	1,542		37	48
Nev.	---	---		---	---		--	--
Mount.	4/ 446	4/ 496		4/ 5,494	4/ 5,502		4/ 220	4/ 298
Wash.	1,145	1,149		10,226	10,338		655	570
Oreg.	1,038	1,236		10,995	11,543		177	131
Calif.	4,164	4,484		30,459	39,545		4,223	4,432
Pac.	6,347	6,869		59,680	61,426		5,055	5,133
U. S.	149,932	156,009		1,329,142	1,379,505		13,404	16,146

1/ Preliminary. 2/ To avoid disclosing individual operations -- West North Central total includes North and South Dakota. 3/ South Atlantic total includes Delaware and West Virginia. 4/ Mount. total includes Wyoming, New Mexico and Arizona.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries--continued

State and division	Egg-type			Total			
	January through August:			August			
	1959	1960 1/	Average: 1954-58	1959	1960 1/	1959	1960 1/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Maine	3,511	2,506	4,093	4,960	5,182	44,253	43,290
N.H.	2,951	2,160	1,674	971	1,032	12,940	10,532
Vt.	279	314	23	4	6	347	314
Mass.	8,206	8,565	1,524	1,236	1,100	17,947	15,868
R.I.	241	267	233	221	255	2,260	2,304
Conn.	6,689	6,357	3,941	3,217	2,664	34,066	28,251
N.E.	21,877	20,169	11,488	10,609	10,239	111,813	100,559
N.Y.	12,323	11,880	1,042	1,309	1,290	18,206	17,900
N.J.	15,650	11,160	1,623	850	910	23,570	16,650
Pa.	27,199	24,110	4,528	4,898	5,052	63,782	60,516
M.A.	55,172	47,150	7,193	7,057	7,252	105,558	95,066
Ohio	22,570	18,250	2,156	1,750	1,900	34,170	28,950
Ind.	26,416	25,863	5,761	6,156	6,122	72,229	71,436
Ill.	26,462	24,807	1,435	1,041	1,100	34,420	30,628
Mich.	9,550	7,460	789	630	680	13,760	10,910
Wis.	11,793	10,204	1,385	1,490	1,836	24,416	23,089
E.N.C.	96,791	86,584	11,526	11,067	11,638	178,995	165,013
Minn.	38,615	31,824	221	388	520	41,358	35,370
Iowa	52,465	44,350	766	425	650	55,675	47,680
Mo.	23,007	17,728	5,209	5,944	5,933	70,345	63,830
N.Dak.	3,551	2,601	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
S.Dak.	13,340	11,382	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/
Nebr.	19,234	15,677	136	171	247	20,345	17,121
Kans.	9,683	8,275	381	282	335	12,434	10,810
W.N.C.	159,895	131,837	2/6,741	2/7,228	2/7,685	2/217,135	2/188,865
Del.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
Md.	1,401	1,045	6,609	9,130	10,647	70,034	90,629
Va.	5,894	4,754	6,419	6,027	6,190	63,538	61,302
W.Va.	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/	3/
N.C.	7,809	6,380	8,797	11,175	12,995	106,199	112,520
S.C.	3,662	3,217	1,281	1,547	1,790	17,121	17,074
Ga.	13,501	8,635	20,474	28,124	28,810	251,275	260,296
Fla.	8,059	8,316	2,165	2,006	2,457	20,461	21,179
S.A.	3/41,305	3/32,984	3/52,225	3/63,559	3/68,573	3/585,927	3/617,968
Ky.	3,692	2,618	1,096	1,108	1,433	14,997	12,838
Tenn.	6,710	6,130	2,353	3,355	4,020	36,175	35,360
Ala.	5,217	4,185	6,219	12,761	14,253	113,219	129,219
Miss.	4,109	2,464	5,135	9,446	9,465	81,236	86,680
E.S.C.	19,728	15,397	14,803	26,670	29,171	245,627	264,397
Ark.	3,427	2,987	7,768	12,067	13,014	111,628	116,481
La.	2,257	1,816	1,039	2,165	1,716	20,074	16,080
Okla.	4,070	3,805	436	572	590	10,597	9,360
Texas	18,314	15,567	7,961	10,274	9,481	99,450	97,084
W.S.C.	28,068	24,175	17,205	25,078	24,801	241,749	239,005
Mont.	1,522	1,102	8	5	16	1,709	1,240
Idaho	1,914	1,354	148	269	345	4,567	4,149
Colo.	2,452	1,800	145	108	134	3,072	2,350
Utah	1,738	1,632	110	152	156	3,278	3,174
Nev.	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Mount.	8,842	6,887	495	666	794	14,336	12,389
Wash.	7,858	7,369	1,440	1,800	1,719	18,084	17,707
Oreg.	3,690	3,002	982	1,215	1,367	14,685	14,545
Calif.	41,855	40,387	7,796	8,387	8,916	80,314	79,932
Pac.	53,403	50,758	10,218	11,402	12,002	113,083	112,184
U.S.	485,081	415,941	131,893	163,336	172,155	1,814,223	1,795,446

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Baby chicks and turkey poults: Average prices paid to commercial hatcheries,
August 1, 1960

State and division	Baby chicks, per 100			Turkey poults, each		
	Broiler	Egg-type pullets		Heavy breeds		Light
	breeds	Pure	Incross breeds	White	Other	breeds
	straight run:	breeds	(Hybrids)			
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Ct.	Ct.	Ct.
Maine	1/ 13.0	32.5	---	---	---	---
N.H.	12.5	35.0	---	76	---	---
Vt.	---	34.0	---	---	---	---
Mass.	12.5	38.5	---	79	---	---
R.I.	12.5	32.5	---	---	---	---
Conn.	1/ 12.5	32.5	---	84	86	---
N.E.	12.8	34.8	---	82.8	---	---
N.Y.	12.5	39.5	55.0	83	86	---
N.J.	15.5	36.0	52.0	---	---	---
Pa.	1/ 13.5	37.0	49.5	1/ 75	1/ 85	1/ 60
M.A.	13.5	37.8	50.1	80.0	85.4	---
Ohio	12.0	36.0	52.0	75	72	51
Ind.	1/ 12.5	33.5	50.0	71	75	---
Ill.	1/ 12.5	35.5	49.0	---	78	54
Mich.	14.0	39.0	52.0	65	68	---
Wis.	13.0	35.5	52.0	60	---	---
E.N.C.	12.6	34.9	50.7	53.7	73.5	51.6
Minn.	12.5	38.0	49.0	1/ 53	1/ 60	1/ 42
Iowa	12.0	37.0	52.0	1/ 53	1/ 70	---
Mo.	1/ 11.0	26.0	45.0	1/ 65	1/ 70	1/ 45
Nebr.	16.0	33.0	51.0	---	70	---
Kans.	11.5	32.0	52.0	66	---	45
W.N.C.	11.3	30.3	49.2	53.4	67.7	42.3
Del.	1/ 13.0	---	48.0	---	75	---
Md.	1/ 13.0	34.0	56.0	---	---	---
Va. 1/	12.0	39.0	55.0	70	73	41
W.Va.	1/ 12.0	38.0	---	---	---	---
N.C.	1/ 13.0	35.0	---	65	60	---
S.C.	13.0	36.0	---	75	67	49
Ga.	1/ 12.8	36.0	55.0	---	---	50
Fla.	1/ 13.0	40.0	55.0	65	---	---
S.A.	12.8	38.0	55.0	68.3	60.6	42.6
Ky.	11.5	34.0	58.0	---	---	---
Tenn.	11.5	38.0	---	---	---	---
Ala.	1/ 12.4	32.0	46.5	71	71	51
Miss.	1/ 11.5	38.0	48.0	---	---	---
E.S.C.	11.9	35.8	52.6	---	---	---
Ark.	1/ 11.0	---	50.0	60	70	---
La.	1/ 12.0	40.0	53.0	---	---	---
Okla.	13.0	27.0	47.0	64	65	---
Texas	1/ 12.0	38.0	53.0	1/ 65	1/ 65	---
W.S.C.	11.5	35.9	51.5	64.4	68.5	---
Idaho	14.0	36.5	50.0	---	---	50
Colo.	14.0	34.0	55.0	70	---	---
Ariz.	18.0	36.0	48.0	---	---	---
Utah	15.5	36.0	44.5	---	---	---
Mount.	15.0	35.7	48.6	---	---	---
Wash. 1/	13.0	38.0	44.0	---	60	---
Oreg. 1/	14.0	33.5	42.0	---	60	40
Calif. 1/	13.0	34.0	42.0	70	70	40
Pac.	13.2	34.3	42.3	---	69.4	40.0
U.S.	12.4	35.5	51.2	59.3	63.3	44.9

1/ As of the 15th of the month.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1959	1960	Change from:	1959	1960	Change from	
			last year			last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
Broiler-type							
January	154,011	160,709	+ 4	154,011	160,709	+ 6,698	+ 4
February	150,184	160,487	+ 7	304,195	321,196	+ 17,001	+ 6
March	183,457	175,360	- 4	487,652	496,556	+ 8,904	+ 2
April	180,639	172,023	- 5	668,291	668,579	+ 288	--
May	175,142	195,403	+ 12	843,433	863,982	+ 20,549	+ 2
June	169,356	185,524	+ 10	1,012,789	1,049,506	+ 36,717	+ 4
July	166,421	173,990	+ 5	1,179,210	1,223,496	+ 44,286	+ 4
August	149,932	156,009	+ 4	1,329,142	1,379,505	+ 50,363	+ 4
September	122,069			1,451,211			
October	121,660			1,572,871			
November	129,729			1,702,600			
December	141,520			1,884,120			
Egg-type							
January	35,814	23,687	- 34	35,814	23,687	- 12,127	-34
February	61,423	38,336	- 38	97,237	62,023	- 35,214	-36
March	117,836	72,782	- 38	215,073	134,805	- 80,268	-37
April	129,598	97,771	- 25	344,671	232,576	-112,095	-33
May	85,782	103,467	+ 21	430,453	336,043	- 94,410	-22
June	27,240	44,855	+ 65	457,693	380,898	- 76,795	-17
July	13,984	18,897	+ 35	471,677	399,795	- 71,882	-15
August	13,404	16,146	+ 20	485,081	415,941	- 69,140	-14
September	13,818			498,899			
October	14,290			513,189			
November	13,465			526,654			
December	14,338			540,992			
Total Chicks							
January	189,825	184,396	- 3	189,825	184,396	- 5,429	- 3
February	211,607	198,823	- 6	401,432	383,219	- 18,213	- 5
March	301,293	248,142	- 18	702,725	631,361	- 71,364	-10
April	310,237	269,794	- 13	1,012,962	901,155	-111,807	-11
May	260,924	298,870	+ 15	1,273,886	1,200,025	- 73,861	- 6
June	196,596	230,379	+ 17	1,470,482	1,430,404	- 40,078	- 3
July	180,405	192,887	+ 7	1,650,887	1,623,291	- 27,596	- 2
August	163,336	172,155	+ 5	1,814,223	1,795,446	- 18,777	- 1
September	135,887			1,950,110			
October	135,950			2,086,060			
November	143,194			2,229,254			
December	155,858			2,385,112			

Chicken eggs in incubators September 1, 1960

Geographic divisions	Percent change from September 1, 1959		
	Broiler-type	Egg-type	Total eggs
New England	+ 14	- 26	+ 10
Middle Atlantic	- 8	+ 54	+ 6
East North Central	- 16	+ 31	- 8
West North Central	+ 41	+ 96	+ 48
South Atlantic	+ 17	+ 18	+ 17
East South Central	+ 16	- 3	+ 16
West South Central	+ 3	+ 9	+ 3
Mountain	- 17	+ 8	- 5
Pacific	+ 12	- 4	+ 5
United States	+ 12	+ 14	+ 12

Poults hatched and turkey eggs in incubators

Geographic divisions	White		Other		Total		Light breeds	
	heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		heavy breeds 1/		1/	
	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/	1959	1960 2/
	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.
Poults hatched during August								
New England	27	33	1	1	28	34	0	0
Middle Atlantic	7	13	7	16	14	29	2	10
East North Central	195	357	1	43	196	400	136	234
West North Central	735	738	8	16	743	754	396	480
South Atlantic	16	63	29	87	45	150	483	376
South Central	1	5	2	6	3	11	7	3
West	23	79	38	229	61	308	44	21
United States	1,004	1,288	86	398	1,090	1,686	1,068	1,124
Turkey eggs in incubators September 1								
New England	8	13	0	0	8	13	0	0
Middle Atlantic	6	6	2	2	8	8	2	15
East North Central	296	331	0	11	296	342	152	178
West North Central	977	1,088	4	13	981	1,101	414	595
South Atlantic	35	78	76	94	111	172	161	274
South Central	48	0	0	0	48	0	3	0
West	41	45	10	60	51	105	2	0
United States	1,411	1,561	92	180	1,503	1,741	734	1,062

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Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1959	1960 <u>2</u> /	Change from last year	1959	1960 <u>2</u> /	Change from last year	
	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.	Thou.	Thou.	Thou.	Pct.
Heavy white breeds <u>1</u> /							
January	1,141	1,181	+ 4	1,141	1,181	+ 40	+ 4
February	1,094	1,524	+ 39	2,235	2,705	+ 470	+ 21
March	1,964	2,640	+ 34	4,199	5,345	+ 1,146	+ 27
April	2,818	3,309	+ 17	7,017	8,654	+ 1,637	+ 23
May	3,661	3,745	+ 2	10,678	12,399	+ 1,721	+ 16
June	3,078	3,284	+ 7	13,756	15,683	+ 1,927	+ 14
July	2,065	2,245	+ 9	15,821	17,928	+ 2,107	+ 13
August	1,004	1,288	+ 28	16,825	19,216	+ 2,391	+ 14
September	772			17,597			
October	863			18,460			
November	1,192			19,652			
December	1,238			20,890			
Other heavy breeds <u>1</u> /							
January	1,283	1,929	+ 50	1,283	1,929	+ 646	+ 50
February	3,454	5,365	+ 55	4,737	7,294	+ 2,557	+ 54
March	9,307	10,900	+ 17	14,044	18,194	+ 4,150	+ 30
April	13,303	12,749	- 4	27,347	30,943	+ 3,596	+ 13
May	13,172	11,918	- 10	40,519	42,861	+ 2,342	+ 6
June	8,514	7,901	- 7	49,033	50,762	+ 1,729	+ 4
July	2,244	2,607	+ 16	51,277	53,369	+ 2,092	+ 4
August	86	398	+ 363	51,363	53,767	+ 2,404	+ 5
September	46			51,409			
October	114			51,523			
November	376			51,899			
December	857			52,756			
Total all heavy breeds <u>1</u> /							
January	2,424	3,110	+ 28	2,424	3,110	+ 686	+ 28
February	4,548	6,889	+ 51	6,972	9,999	+ 3,027	+ 43
March	11,271	13,540	+ 20	18,243	23,539	+ 5,296	+ 29
April	16,121	16,058	- --	34,364	39,597	+ 5,233	+ 15
May	16,833	15,663	- 7	51,197	55,260	+ 4,063	+ 8
June	11,592	11,185	- 4	62,789	66,445	+ 3,656	+ 6
July	4,309	4,852	+ 13	67,098	71,297	+ 4,199	+ 6
August	1,090	1,686	+ 55	68,188	72,983	+ 4,795	+ 7
September	818			69,006			
October	977			69,983			
November	1,568			71,551			
December	2,095			73,646			

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Poults hatched by commercial hatcheries - United States

Month	By months			Cumulative			
	1959	1960 <u>2/</u>	Change from last year	1959	1960 <u>2/</u>	Change from last year	
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<u>Light Breeds</u> <u>1/</u>							
January	1,540	545	- 65	1,540	545	- 995	- 65
February	1,360	781	- 43	2,900	1,326	- 1,574	- 54
March	1,769	958	- 46	4,669	2,284	- 2,385	- 51
April	1,943	1,063	- 45	6,612	3,347	- 3,265	- 49
May	2,434	1,551	- 36	9,046	4,898	- 4,148	- 46
June	2,160	1,613	- 25	11,206	6,511	- 4,695	- 42
July	1,856	1,556	- 16	13,062	8,067	- 4,995	- 38
August	1,068	1,124	+ 5	14,130	9,191	- 4,939	- 35
September	387			14,517			
October	317			14,834			
November	363			15,197			
December	559			15,756			
Total all breeds <u>1/</u>							
January	3,964	3,655	- 8	3,964	3,655	- 309	- 8
February	5,908	7,670	+ 30	9,872	11,325	+ 1,453	+ 15
March	13,040	14,498	+ 11	22,912	25,823	+ 2,911	+ 13
April	18,064	17,121	- 5	40,976	42,944	+ 1,968	+ 5
May	19,267	17,214	- 11	60,243	60,158	- 85	--
June	13,752	12,798	- 7	73,995	72,956	- 1,039	- 1
July	6,165	6,408	+ 4	80,160	79,364	- 796	- 1
August	2,158	2,810	+ 30	82,318	82,174	- 144	--
September	1,205			83,523			
October	1,294			84,817			
November	1,931			86,748			
December	2,654			89,402			

1/ Heavy white breeds include heavy white-feathered breeds, such as Board white, white Holland, Empire white, Lancaster, and crosses with light white breeds. All other heavy breeds are reported under "other". Light breeds include Beltsville, Jersey Buff, Royal Palm and wild turkeys.

2/ Preliminary.